IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

DAVID L. PEMBERTON, SR., TRUSTEE, etc.,

Plaintiff,

VB.

Civil Action 2:10-CV-850 Judge Sargus Magistrate Judge King

MOORE & COMPANY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC., et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER

Plaintiff has filed an application for entry of default. Doc. No. 11. However, that application is based, inter alia, on summonses that were not issued by the Clerk of this Court. Doc. Nos. 4, 5.

Rule 4(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires that "[a] summons must be served with a copy of the complaint." In order to be valid, a summons must "be signed by the clerk; and . . . bear the court's seal." Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(a)(1)(F), (G).

Because the summonses in this case were not valid and service was therefore no proper, plaintiff's application for default, Doc. No. 11, and motion for default judgment, Doc. No. 9, are DENIED.

Plaintiff shall promptly arrange for effective service of process in compliance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 4.

12-16-2016 Date

Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.
United States District Judge